

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Applicant : Arasmith

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Title : WOOD-REDUCING APPARATUS WITH

CONTINUAL FEEDER ASSEMBLY

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Special Program Examiner
Commissioner for Patents
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## PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c)

The Applicant hereby petitions the Office to make this application special pursuant to the Advancement of Examination procedures set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(c) on the grounds that the applicant is over 65 years of age. In support of this Petition, an Affidavit signed by the applicant declaring his age is attached, along with a photocopy of his driver's license.

Having satisfied the requirements for the Advancement of Examination as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.102(d) and MPEP 708.02, the Applicant hereby seeks accelerated examination of this patent application.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any required fee for this petition, or credit any refund, to our Deposit Account No. 16-0605.

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Respectfully submitted,

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